

BOARD OF LICENSURE OF FORESTERS
MINUTES OF BOARD MEETING
FEBRUARY 8, 2006

BOARD: Board of Licensure of Foresters

DATE: February 8, 2006

ROOM: Central Conference Room

LOCATION: Department of Professional & Financial Regulation

TIME

SCHEDULED: 8:30 A.M.

TIME CALLED

TO ORDER: 8:35 A.M.

ADJOURN: 1:10 P.M.

CHAIR: Stephen Holt

VICE-CHAIR: William Ostrofsky

BOARD CLERK: Susan Greenlaw

MEMBERS PRESENT: William Ostrofsky, Stephen Holt, Rene Noel Jr., Mark Beauregard, and Arthur Carroll

MEMBERS ABSENT:

OTHERS PRESENT: Deborah Fales, Board Clerk; Carol Leighton, Administrator; Amy Mills, Assistant Attorney General; Robert Perkins, Assistant Attorney General

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CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 8:35 a.m.

AGENDA MODIFICATIONS

OLD BUSINESS

Action on Minutes of August 24, 2005 Meeting

A motion was made by Stephen Holt to approve the minutes of the August 24, 2005 meeting as presented; seconded by William Ostrofsky. Unanimous.

Exam Database/Software Update

Carol Leighton contacted an SAF representative who was meeting with the South Carolina Board for purposes of obtaining information that may be helpful to the Maine Board. Carol will follow up for the April meeting.

NEW BUSINESS

Administrator's Report

The Board was provided with an update on their financial status.

Eugene Putnam – appeal pending.

Complaint Officer's Report

Assistant Attorney General Robert Perkins presented the facts in the following case:

#FOR-043: A motion was made by Rene Noel to dismiss upon finding no violation of Board statute or rules; seconded by William Ostrofsky. Unanimous.

Exam Results

Three individuals sat for the exam on October 24, 2005. All three received passing scores. A motion was made by Rene Noel to accept the exam scores as presented; seconded by Stephen Holt. Beauregard, Carroll, Holt, and Noel voted in the affirmative; none opposed; Ostrofsky abstained. Motion carried.

Review and Action on Applications

See table.

Review and Action on Continuing Education

See table.

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December 2004 Audits

Walter A. Haines - has not responded to requests for documentation: A motion was made by Rene Noel to initiate the complaint process; seconded by William Ostrofsky. Carroll, Holt, Noel, and Ostrofsky voted in the affirmative; none opposed; Beauregard abstained. Motion carried.

Christopher Murdoch – submitted requested documentation: No action necessary.

Stanley Perry – submitted requested documentation: No action necessary.

Carl L. Haag – submitted requested documentation: No action necessary.

Correspondence and Communications

Request for Speaker – NERCOFE Annual Meeting, March 14, 2006: Ostrofsky to draft a response.

Maine Forest Service Website Information: Members were reminded that the Maine Forest Service has agreed that the Board can utilize their web site to convey information to licensees.

Meeting/Exam Schedule - 2006

2006 MEETING SCHEDULE

DATE	TIME	LOCATION
February 8, 2006	8:30 AM	Central Conference Room
April 26, 2006	8:30 AM	Central Conference Room
August 23, 2006	8:30 AM	Central Conference Room
November 1, 2006	8:30 AM	Central Conference Room

2006 EXAM SCHEDULE

DATE	TIME	LOCATION	PROCTOR/GRADER
March 27, 2006	8:00 AM	Kennebec Room	Proctor: Holt Grader: Noel
October 23, 2006	8:00 AM	Kennebec Room	Proctor: Ostrofsky Grader: Holt

Election of Officers

A motion was made by William Ostrofsky to elect Stephen Holt as Chair; seconded by Rene Noel. Unanimous.

A motion was made by Stephen Holt to elect William Ostrofsky as Vice-Chair; seconded by Arthur Carroll. Unanimous.

A motion was made by Mark Beauregard to elect Rene Noel as Complaint Officer; seconded by William Ostrofsky. Unanimous.

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Next Meeting Scheduled for April 26, 2006

OTHER BUSINESS

ADJOURN

Being no further board business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 1:10 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Susan Greenlaw
Board Clerk

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Review and Action on Applications

APPLICANT	APPLYING FOR	EDUCATION/ QUALIFICATIONS	OTHER INFORMATION	RECOMMENDATION	BOARD DECISION
Aaron G Boone	Forester exam	Board approved 24 month internship effective 6/11/03. He has been licensed from 6/11/03 to present.	Appl received on 8/24/05. References received from three foresters (includes sponsor, James Stewart)	Exam	Motion by Carroll to approve for exam; seconded by Noel. Unanimous.
Jeremy L Boron	Forester exam	Board approved 24 month internship effective 9/22/03. He has been licensed from 9/11/03 to present	Appl received on 1/6/06. References received from four foresters (includes sponsors, William Miller and Michael Maines)	Exam	Motion by Noel to approve for exam; seconded by Beauregard. Unanimous.
Joshua B Bubier	Intern Forester license – 24 months	BS Forest Operations Science – UM	Appl complete on 12/8/05 Sponsor – Charles Crockett	24 month internship effective 2/8/06	Motion by Noel to approve as recommended; seconded by Beauregard. Unanimous.
Robert L Chandler Jr	Intern Forester license – 24 months	BS Forestry – UM BS Wildlife Biology – UM	Appl rec'd 9/13/05 Sponsor – David B Dow	24 month internship effective 2/8/06	Motion by Noel to approve as recommended; seconded by Beauregard. Unanimous.
Chester C Condon	Intern Forester license – 48 months	AS Forestry – UM	Appl rec'd on 1/23/06 Sponsor – Marc Deschene	48 month internship effective 2/8/06	Motion by Carroll to approve as recommended; seconded by Noel. Unanimous.
Ross W Congo	Intern Forester license – 24 months	BS Forestry – UM	Appl rec'd 9/12/05 Sponsor – Scott Rineer	24 month internship effective 2/8/06	Motion by Carroll to approve as recommended; seconded by

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					Noel. Unanimous.
Jason A Cooke	Forester exam	Board approved 24 month internship effective 4/18/03. He was licensed from 4/18/03 to 12/31/05; 1/25/06 to present	Appl received 1/19/06. References received from three foresters (includes sponsors, Blaine Miller and Daren Turner)	Exam	Motion by Noel to approve for exam; seconded by Holt. Unanimous.
Dana Johnson	Forester exam	Board approved 24 month internship effective 3/3/03. He was licensed from 3/3/03 to 12/31/04; 5/4/05 to present.	Appl received on 8/15/05. References received from three foresters (includes sponsor, Joshua Philbrook)	Exam	Motion by Beauregard to approve for exam; seconded by Noel. Unanimous.
Allison M Kanoti	Intern Forester license – 24 months	BS Forestry – UV AS Engineering Civil Engineering Tech – VT Tech College Currently enrolled at UM	Appl rec'd 2/7/06 Sponsor – Timothy Post	24 month internship effective 2/8/06 (If the UV degree program was SAF accredited in 1996)	Motion by Ostrofsky to approve as recommended; seconded by Noel. Unanimous.
Jason S Lyle	Intern Forester license – 24 months	Masters Forestry - UM	Appl rec'd 11/18/05 Sponsor – Harold Cook	24 month internship effective 2/8/06	Motion by Beauregard to approve as recommended; seconded by Holt. Unanimous.
Stephen C MacDonald	Forester exam	Board approved 24 month internship effective 8/6/03. He has been licensed from 8/3/03 to present.	Appl received on 8/11/05. References received from three foresters (includes sponsor, Michael Benjamin)	Exam	Motion by Holt to approve for exam; seconded by Ostrofsky. Unanimous.
Michael P Maguire	Intern Forester license – 24 months	Masters Forestry – UM BS Resource Devel – Michigan State Univ.	Appl completed 11/03/05 Sponsor – Stephen Bumps	24 month internship effective 2/8/06	Motion by Holt to approve as recommended; seconded by Ostrofsky. Unanimous.
Joel Reed	Forester exam	Bd approved 24 month internship effective 6/20/00. He has been licensed from 6/20/00 to	Appl received 12/13/05. References received from three foresters (includes sponsor, Allan	Exam	Motion by Holt to approve for exam;

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		12/31/05.	Magrath)		seconded by Noel. Unanimous.
Bryan J Savoy	Forester exam	Board approved 24 month internship effective 9/2/03. He has been licensed from 9/2/03 to present.	Appl received on 10/26/05. References received from 6 foresters (includes sponsors, Richard Chamberlain and Kenneth Lamond)	Exam	Motion by Ostrofsky to approve for exam; seconded by Noel. Unanimous.
Preston M Stowell	Intern Forester license – 24 months	BS Forestry – UM AS Forest Technician – Paul Smith's College	Appl completed 11/8/05 Sponsor – Peter Tracy	24 month internship effective 2/8/06	Motion by Ostrofsky to approve as recommended; seconded by Holt. Unanimous.
Keith Kanoti Intern Forester	Inquiry	Became licensed based on the board review of his application on August 24, 2005. He is now submitting a letter requesting that the Board re-review his previous work experience that includes working as a Federal Government employee.	§5503 Exemptions to licensing. 2. Federal Government Employee. Federal Government employees conducting forestry practices within the scope of their employment	Motion by Noel to respond – Board understands his inquiry, however, based on information provided, refer to rules and suggest that he does not meet the qualifications; seconded by Ostrofsky. Holt, Noel, Ostrofsky voted in the affirmative; Carroll opposed; Beauregard abstained. Motion carried.	
David Lieser	Forester exam			Tabled pending receipt of third reference	

Review and Action on Continuing Education

NAME OF PROGRAM	SPONSOR	DATE(S)	HOURS	CATEGORY	BOARD ACTION
MESAF Fall Meeting 15 Years of ABC (Anything But Clearcutting)	MESAF	October 11, 2005	6	1	Motion by Noel to approve; seconded by Holt.

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Silviculture: What have we learned, and how is the forest faring under more politically correct stewardship?					Beauregard, Carroll, Holt, Noel voted affirmative; Ostrofsky abstained.
Northern Maine Forest Forum The Canada Lynx – Definition of Critical Habitat & Its Impact on Forest Management	MESAF	November 17, 2005	1	1	Motion by Noel to approve; seconded by Holt. Beauregard, Carroll, Holt, Noel voted affirmative; Ostrofsky abstained.
NESAF Winter Meeting 2006 – Race for the Resources	NESAF	April 4-6, 2006	April 4 – 4.25 April 5 – 5	1 1	Motion by Noel to approve; seconded by Holt. Beauregard, Carroll, Holt, Noel voted affirmative; Ostrofsky abstained.
NER.COFE Workshop – Alternative Forest Energy	NER.COFE	March 13, 2006	2.75 .5	1 2	Motion by Noel to approve; seconded by Holt. Beauregard, Carroll, Holt, Noel voted affirmative; Ostrofsky abstained.
NER.COFE Workshop – High Yield Forestry	NER.COFE	March 14, 2006	3.25 .5	1 2	Motion by Noel to approve; seconded by Holt. Beauregard, Carroll, Holt, Noel voted affirmative; Ostrofsky abstained.
Northern Maine Forest Forum – What’s Bugging the Northern Maine Forest? An Outlook for the 2006 Forest Pest Season	MESAF	February 2, 2006	1	1	Motion by Noel to approve; seconded by Holt. Beauregard, Carroll, Holt, Noel voted affirmative; Ostrofsky abstained.
Request from Brian Reader of Wadsworth Woodlands, Inc. – Wood Measurement Training Program	Office of Professional Development College of Natural Sciences, Forestry and Agriculture, University of Maine, Orono	October 11-12, 2005	Oct. 11 -6 Oct. 12 -2	1 1	Motion by Holt to approve; seconded by Noel. Beauregard, Carroll, Holt, Noel voted affirmative; Ostrofsky abstained.
Transferring the Farm Workshop		November 30, 2005	4.5	2	Motion by Noel to approve; seconded by Holt. Beauregard, Carroll, Holt, Noel voted affirmative; Ostrofsky abstained.
Request from Tom Whitworth:		July 20, 2005	5	1	Motion by Holt to approve;

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Forester Training on the Forest Practices Act (clear cutting and harvest plans)					seconded by Noel.
Forester and Logging Supervisor Training on Best Management Practices (forestry)		October 13, 2005	5	1	Beauregard, Carroll, Holt, Noel voted affirmative; Ostrofsky abstained.